



# ANCHORAGE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB



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February 7th General Meeting 7:00 PM at 1st United  
Methodist Church 725 W. 9th Ave. (NW cor 9th & G) Anchorage

PROGRAM PROGRAM PROGRAM

Russ Doig - Senior Telecommunications Engineer - ARCO

"Communications in Oil Exploration"

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Editors Notes---

We wish to say Thank You to Harley-KL7I2Z and Arlene-KL7HQ  
for the fine jobs done in the past year and a half, as

Section Manager and Asst. Section Manager.

We also wish to Thank Merle Beller-AL7LD for taking over the  
Section Manager's Job. Thanks in Advance Merle!!

Also a belated Thank You goes to Bob Ward-KL7JFJ for the  
Mark Air tickets given as Door Prizes at the Christmas  
Party. Sorry for the delay in Thanks Bob!

Ed - NL7DK



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The AARC general meeting was opened at 7:15 PM by President Fred Wegmer KL7HFM at the new meeting place at 725 W. 9th Ave in Anchorage. Introductions were made.

Fred requested help for the Fur Rendezvous World Championship Sled Dog Races and for the Fur Rendezvous Grand Prix. Exact dates for these 2 events are unknown as of yet. To help with the sled dog races, call Bill Reiter KL7ITI at 337-1779. To help with the Grand Prix race, call Steve Wilcox KL7JIM at 349-5056. The Grand Prix race course will be downtown this year, with a much more interesting course. Lil is volunteering Joan AL7NK for the Grand Prix race because Joan didn't share the M&M's she won at the monthly club raffle with Lil.

Lil Marvin NL7DL requested ham volunteers for the Shaker II Drill being put on on March 10, 11, 12 by the Alaska Division of Emergency Services. The following hospitals will need hams-Providence, Humana, the Mary Conrad Center, North Star, Charter North, Our Lady of Compassion, Alaska Native Medical Center. The Red Cross will set up emergency centers and will need hams at these and at their headquarters. We will also have hams at the Emergency Office Coordinators office. We will probably run both HF and VHF, but not at all sights. More hams will be needed elsewhere as well. Stay tuned. If you can help, contact Lil at 277-6741. She has already volunteered Joan AL7NK because Joan did not share her M&M's with Lil.

Our new section manager Merle AL7LD and ~~old~~<sup>past</sup> section manager Harley KL7IZZ presented awards to 2 hams for distinguished service to Alaska hams. They were Susan Woods NL7NN for her service as fleamarket chairperson; and Roger Hansen KL7HFQ for his work as head of Alaska's VEC's. Congratulations to both of you! Joan didn't get any awards because she didn't share her M&M's with Lil.

The Nordic Ski Club will be helping to sponsor a world class ski and winter sport competition from Feb. 29 to March 6. They will have about 10 to 20 checkpoints and are requesting hams for these. They want hams to provide communications for safety and control purposes and will provide transportation to and from the checkpoints where needed. The event will take place at Kincaid Park. They are expecting about 500 participants and about 300 support personnel. If you can help, contact Harvey NL7DK at 333-4693. Lil is volunteering Joan AL7NK because she didn't share her M&M's with Lil.

Harry Mitchell KL7MZ gave an excellent slide presentation on his adventures through the South Seas-including French Polynesia, Fiji, New Caledonia, the Marquesas, Bongo Bongo, Cook Islands, Bora Bora, Tonga, Guanajuatu and more (I think) on his boat the Whalesong. The presentation was well-planned and very interesting. Joan didn't get to go with him because she didn't share her M&M's with Lil.

The usual raffle prizes (I really mean fixes) were awarded. Lil chased Joan AL7NK all over the room for some of the M&M's that Joan won. The meeting was closed at about 9:00.

The usual eatin' after the meetin' was held at Elmer's where Lil had to settle for tuna melt because she didn't get any of Joan's M&M's.

(Not very) Respectfully Submitted

*Lil Marvin*  
Lil Marvin NL7DL



|                                   | CALL   | FROM       | TO              |
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| <b>ANCHORAGE</b>                  |        |            |                 |
| DAVID L. BAILEY (19 YRS. OLD)     | WL7CDI | NOVICE     | GENERAL         |
| PETER G. BAILEY                   | WL7CDH | NOVICE     | GENERAL         |
| MATTHEW T. MANNHARDT              | WL7CDE | NOVICE     | H.F. TECHNICIAN |
| <b>BETHEL</b>                     |        |            |                 |
| DACOTA D. BROWN (11 YRS. OLD)     |        | NO LICENSE | NOVICE          |
| CHARLES E. BURKEY JR.             |        | NO LICENSE | NOVICE          |
| PATRICIA L. BURKEY                |        | NO LICENSE | NOVICE          |
| RANDY L. BURKEY (10 YRS. OLD)     |        | NO LICENSE | NOVICE          |
| CAMERON A. CAMPBELL               | WL7BWU | NOVICE     | H.F. TECHNICIAN |
| SKYE M. CAMPBELL (10 YRS. OLD)    |        | NO LICENSE | NOVICE          |
| KATIE A. ELLSWORTH (9 YRS. OLD)   |        | NO LICENSE | NOVICE          |
| TRAVIS E. GLESSING (10 YRS. OLD)  |        | NO LICENSE | NOVICE          |
| JOHN L. HASTIE (10 YRS. OLD)      |        | NO LICENSE | NOVICE          |
| JEREMIAH A. KACYON (10 YRS. OLD)  |        | NO LICENSE | NOVICE          |
| BECKY L. MEYERS (10 YRS. OLD)     |        | NO LICENSE | NOVICE          |
| CHARLES J. SPINDLER (10 YRS. OLD) |        | NO LICENSE | NOVICE          |
| <b>BIG LAKE</b>                   |        |            |                 |
| <b>BYERS LAKE</b>                 |        |            |                 |
| <b>EAGLE RIVER</b>                |        |            |                 |
| LYLE S. ANDERSON                  | NL7WH  | GENERAL    | ADVANCED        |
| JERRY E. COPPESS                  |        | NO LICENSE | N.C. TECHNICIAN |
| JAMES R. LANE                     |        | NO LICENSE | N.C. TECHNICIAN |
| FREDERICK L. MARVIN               | KL7YF  | GENERAL    | ADVANCED        |
| LAJARLE M. SCOTT                  | WL7CDG | NOVICE     | H.F. TECHNICIAN |
| <b>FAIRBANKS</b>                  |        |            |                 |
| JOEL A. BALLEK                    | WL7AI  | NOVICE     | H.F. TECHNICIAN |
| LARRY I. DUNLAP                   |        | NO LICENSE | N.C. TECHNICIAN |
| REX E. KEIRN                      |        | NO LICENSE | N.C. TECHNICIAN |
| KERRY L. MacLACHLAN               | WL7CCJ | NOVICE     | H.F. TECHNICIAN |
| <b>JUNEAU</b>                     |        |            |                 |
| <b>SOLDOTNA</b>                   |        |            |                 |
| <b>VALDEZ</b>                     |        |            |                 |
| <b>WASILLA</b>                    |        |            |                 |
| <b>WILLOW</b>                     |        |            |                 |

NOTE (N.C. TECHNICIAN=NO CODE TECHNICIAN)  
 (H.F. TECHNICIAN=TECHNICIAN WITH H.F. PRIVILEGES)  
 submitted by Roger Hansen, KL7HFQ, VEC Director)

P.A.R.K.A. NOTES

THE JANUARY P.A.R.K.A. (POLAR AMATEUR RADIO KLUB OF ALASKA) MEETING WAS HELD ON SATURDAY THE 11TH AT THE HOME OF KL7HFM!

THOSE PRESENT WERE LILLIAN, NL7DL; LYNNE, KL7IO; DIANNE, NL7KN; BARBARA, NL7SU; AND SUSAN, NL7NN.

AFTER A VERY SHORT BUSINESS MEETING, WE DISCOVERED WHY WE HAD BEEN INVITED TO FRED WEGMER'S HOME---TO WORK! THE P.A.R.K.A. LADIES ARE HELPING FRED WITH HIS INVENTORY. WE WILL MEET AT FRED'S HOME EVERY SATURDAY UNTIL THE INVENTORY IS COMPLETED.

LSAT SATURDAY OF THE MONTH P.A.R.K.A. MEETINGS WILL TAKE PLACE AT FRED'S HOME UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

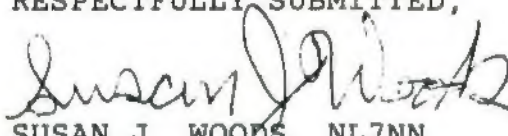
P.A.R.K.A.SARE TAKING DUES AGAIN AFTER A LONG INTERMISSION. THREE DOLLARS IS ALL IT TAKES TO BECOME A P.A.R.K.A. FOR A YEAR! ANY YL CAN JOIN---THOSE WITH TICKETS, AND THOSE WITHOUT. WE ENJOY EACH OTHERS COMPANY AND LAUGH A LOT TOO!

THE SUBJECT OF BECOMING A YLRL (YOUNG LADIES' RADIO LEAGUE) AFFILIATED CLUB IS BEING TAKEN UNDER ADVISEMENT. ANY YL WHO IS INTERESTED IN JOINING THE YLRL CONTACT NL7NN FOR MORE INFORMATION. NOW IS THE TIME TO JOIN.

FUR RENDEZVOUS IS ALMOST HERE. P.A.R.K.A.'S WILL BE HELPING WITH THE SLED DOG RACE AGAIN. SUSAN WILL NEED TWO HELPERS, AND ONE ALTERNATE EACH DAY. WE WILL BE WORKING THE BIG BOARD---DOWNTOWN AT THE START/FINISH LINE, FROM ABOUT 12:30PM TO 4:30PM; FRIDAY, SATURDAY, AND SUNDAY, THE 21ST, 22ND, AND 23RD OF FEBRUARY, 1992. FIND NL7NN AND SIGN UP TO HELP OUT!

WELL WE WORKED IN FRED'S BASEMENT AND HAD A GREAT TIME. JUST WHEN WE WERE ABOUT EXHAUSTED---FRED SURPRISED US WITH A WONDERFULLY TASTY LUNCH! FRED IS A GRACIOUS HOST. WE ENJOYED HIS COMPANY! THANKYOU VERY MUCH FRED! WE'LL BE BACK NEXT WEEK!

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

  
SUSAN J. WOODS, NL7NN  
SECRETARY, P.A.R.K.A.

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The Nordic Ski Association of Anchorage has requested assistance in providing public safety and welfare communications for the Masters World Cup Nordic Ski Races to be held in Anchorage from February 29 through March 6.

The races will be held in Kincaid Park with the starting and ending points at the Ski stadium. Communications needs for amateur radio assistance will include stations at several checkpoints, first aid stations and information points. A parallel cellular telephone network and commercial radio net will handle all official race communications.

It is estimated that about twenty stations will need to be in operation from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM each day. There will be about a one hour break period around noon.

Parking inside the park will be reserved for support staff and there will be snow machine shuttles to the communications points.

The coordinator between the Nordic Ski Association and area amateurs will be N7DF, Larry Strain, who is a member of both the Nordic Ski Association and the Anchorage Amateur Radio Club. His telephone number at work is 271-4700 ext 128 and at home it is 338-2718 (after 8:00 PM). The mailing address is Box 103092 Anchorage 99510.

The name, call, address, work phone and home phone numbers of anyone who can help will be appreciated. Also the days and time periods when you will be available.

This is a major, world class athletic event with entrants from at least 19 countries and will be carried on live television world wide.



## THE ARRL OUTGOING QSL BUREAU SYSTEM



One of the greatest bargains of League membership is being able to use the ARRL Outgoing QSL Bureau to conveniently send your DX QSL cards overseas to foreign QSL bureaus. Your ticket for using this service is your QST address label and just \$2.00 per pound. For those not quite so DX active (sending 10 cards or less), enclose \$1.00. You can't even get a deal like that at your local warehouse supermarket! And the potential savings over the substantial cost of individual QSLing is equal to many times the price of your annual dues. Your cards are sorted promptly by the Outgoing Bureau staff, and cards are on their way overseas usually within a week of arrival at ARRL HQ. Approximately two million cards are handled by the Bureau each year!

QSL cards are shipped to QSL bureaus throughout the world, which are typically maintained by the national Amateur Radio Society of each country. While no cards are sent to individuals or individual QSL managers, keep in mind that what you might lose in speed is more than made up in the convenience and savings of not having to address and mail QSL cards separately. (In the case of DXpeditions and/or active DX stations that use *US QSL managers*, a better approach is to QSL directly to the QSL manager. The various DX newsletters, the W6GO QSL manager directory, and other publications, are good sources of up-to-date QSL manager information.)

As postage costs become increasingly prohibitive, don't go broke before you're even halfway towards making DXCC. There's a better and cheaper way — "QSL VIA BURO" through the ARRL Outgoing QSL Bureau!

### How To Use The ARRL Outgoing QSL Service

- 1) Presort your DX QSLs alphabetically by call-sign prefix (AP, C6, CE, DL, F, G, JA, LU, PY, 5N, 9Y and so on).
- 2) Enclose the address label from your current copy of QST. The label shows that you are a current ARRL member.
- 3) Enclose payment of \$2.00 per each pound of cards — approximately 150 cards weigh one pound. A package of ten (10) cards or less costs only \$1.00. Please pay by check (or money order) and write your call sign on the check. Send "green stamps" (cash) at your own risk.
- 4) Include only the cards, address label and check in the package. Wrap the package securely and address it to the ARRL Outgoing QSL Service, 225 Main Street, Newington CT 06111.
- 5) Family members may also use the service by enclosing their QSLs with those of the primary member. Include the appropriate fee with each individual's cards and indicate "family membership."
- 6) Blind members who do not receive QST need only include the appropriate fee along with a note indicating the cards are from a blind member.
- 7) ARRL affiliated-club stations may use the service when submitting club QSLs by indicating the club name. Club secretaries should check affiliation papers to ensure that affiliation is current. In addition to sending club station QSLs through this service, affiliated clubs may also "pool" their members' individual QSL cards to effect an even greater savings. Each club member using this service must also be a League member. Cards should be sorted "en masse" by prefix, and a QST label enclosed for each ARRL member.